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1. HEADLINES

"HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE MARCHED AGAINST  
POSSIBLE AMERICAN ATTACK ON IRAQ," "JANG" (03/03)

"3.5 MILLION PROTEST AGAINST U.S. IN KARACHI;  
WASHINGTON, HEAR THIS: WE ARE WITH SADDAM, DECLARES  
MMA," "DIN" (03/03)

"MILLION MARCH IN KARACHI; PAKISTAN SHOULD VOTE  
AGAINST THE NEW AMERICAN RESOLUTION IN THE SECURITY  
COUNCIL, MAJLIS AMAL" "EXPRESS" (03/03)

"MMA'S MILLION MAN MARCH IN KARACHI AGAINST AMERICA;  
DROP BUSH, NOT BOMBS; PROTESTORS PRAY FOR AMERICA'S  
DESTRUCTION AND MUJAHIDEEN'S VICTORY," "KHABRAIN"  
(03/03)

"RULERS BUT NOT THE PEOPLE ARE SPINELESS: BLOOD FOR  
OIL NOT ACCEPTABLE; MILLION MARCH IN KARACHI, 3.5  
MILLION ATTENDED: MMA," "NAWA-E-WAQT" (03/03)

"THE WAR MAY START BY MARCH 17TH: PRIME MINISTER OF  
NEW ZEALAND," "JANG" (03/03)

"IRAQ WILL BE ATTACKED WITHIN TWO OR THREE WEEKS:  
BRITAIN," "JASARAT" (03/03)

"DIFFERENCE OF OPINION BETWEEN BRITAIN AND U.S. OVER  
THE USE OF POISONOUS GASES IN IRAQ," "ISLAM" (03/03)

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"AMERICA WILL NOT BE GIVEN LAND OR SEA BASES, SHAIKH  
RASHEED," "JANG" (03/03)

IRAQ POLICY TO BE DECIDED AFTER CONSULTING PARLIAMENT  
AND PEOPLE; WE ARE CONCERNED FOR PAKISTAN ONLY: PRIME  
MINISTER JAMALI," "PAKISTAN" (03/03)

"FBI INTERROGATES KHALID SHEIKH MUHAMMAD; BUSH GLAD  
WITH ARREST," "NAWA-E-WAQT" (03/03)

"KHALID SHEIKH TAKEN AWAY: AMERICA; HAS NOT BEEN  
HANDED OVER TO ANY COUNTRY: PAKISTAN," "JANG" (03/03)

"THAT KHALID SHEIKH HAS BEEN HANDED OVER TO AMERICA IS  
A LIE: PAKISTAN" "JASARAT" (03/03)

"KHALID SHEIKH HAN BEEN HANDED OVER TO THE U.S, SAYS  
INTERIOR MINISTER; NO HE HASN'T: INFORMATION  
MINISTER," "DIN" (03/03)

"FBI BARRED FROM EXITING THE AMERICAN CONSULATE IN  
PESHAWAR," "ISLAM" (03/03)

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-- NEWS

-- U.S.-PAK RELATIONS

1."AMERICA TO DO ALL FOR PAK-INDIA TALKS" "THE  
NATION" (03/02)

QUOTE: U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE COLIN POWELL ON  
SATURDAY ASSURED HIS COUNTRY WOULD DO EVERYTHING TO  
START A PROCESS OF DIALOGUE BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND INDIA  
THAT WAS NEEDED TO SETTLE THEIR OUTSTANDING DISPUTES,  
ESPECIALLY THE KEY ISSUE OF KASHMIR. "THERE IS A NEED

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FOR A DIALOGUE TO TAKE PLACE BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND  
INDIA ON ALL OUTSTANDING ISSUES BETWEEN THE TWO  
NATIONS, SPECIALLY THE ISSUE OF KASHMIR," HE SAID IN

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AN INTERVIEW WITH RADIO PAKISTAN.... END QUOTE.

2. "U.S. ASKS INDIA TO STOP GENOCIDE IN IHK" "THE NATION" (03/02).... END QUOTE.

QUOTE: THE LEADER OF THE DELEGATION OF U.S. STATE LEGISLATORS, MR. ROBERT J. GUIDA, HAS ASKED INDIA TO STOP THE GENOCIDE OF INNOCENT KASHMIRIS AND IMPLEMENT UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS. HE WAS TALKING TO NEWSMEN IN ISLAMABAD ON SATURDAY AFTER MEETING WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTER, KHURSHID MAHMOOD KASURI. THE U.S. LAWMAKER SAID HE HAS DEMANDED OF INDIA THAT IF IT HAS NOTHING TO HIDE, THEN THE DELEGATION SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO VISIT OCCUPIED KASHMIR TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE OF REFUGEES FLEEING THE AREA.... END QUOTE.

3. "ISLAMABAD NOT TO BE NEXT TARGET: U.S. LAWMAKER" "THE NEWS" (03/03)

QUOTE: A PROMINENT U.S. LAWMAKER HAS REJECTED THE PERCEPTIONS THAT PAKISTAN WOULD BE THE NEXT TARGET AFTER IRAQ. IN AN INTERVIEW WITH ONLINE, THE LEADER OF THE DELEGATION OF U.S. STATE LEGISLATORS, ROBERT J. GUIDA, SAID THAT ALL ASSUMPTIONS IN THIS REGARD ARE HYPOTHETICAL.... END QUOTE.

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4. "U.S. LAUDS PAKISTAN FOR ARREST," "DAWN" (03/03)

QUOTE: MARCH 2: PRESIDENT BUSH CELEBRATED THE ARREST OF KHALID SHAIKH MOHAMMED, THE ALLEGED MASTERMIND OF THE SEPT 11 TERRORIST ATTACKS, WITH HIS COLLEAGUES ON SATURDAY, WHILE THE WHITE HOUSE ISSUED AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT PRAISING PAKISTAN. THE U.S. MEDIA EVEN PRAISED ISI, OTHERWISE A FAVORITE MEDIA TARGET OFTEN ACCUSED OF SECRETLY ENCOURAGING THE TALIBAN AND AL-QAEDA.... "THE UNITED STATES COMMENDS PAKISTANI AND U.S. AUTHORITIES ON THE COMPLETION OF A SUCCESSFUL JOINT OPERATION WHICH RESULTED IN THE DETENTION OF SEVERAL AL-QAEDA OPERATIVES, INCLUDING KHALID SHAIKH MOHAMMED," THE WHITE HOUSE SAID. ALTHOUGH PAKISTAN DENIES AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IN THE RAID, OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON SAID CIA AND PAKISTANI OFFICERS JOINTLY CARRIED OUT THE OPERATION THAT LED TO THEIR CAPTURE.... FORMER SECRETARY OF STATE LAWRENCE EAGLEBERGER URGED THOSE IN THE U.S. MEDIA WHO

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CRITICIZED PAKISTAN TO "SHUT UP". PRESIDENT MUSHARRAF  
AND OTHER PAKISTANI LEADERS, HE SAID, WERE HELPING THE

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UNITED STATES CATCH AL-QAEDA OPERATIVES "AT GREAT PERSONAL RISKS." APPEARING IN THE SAME SHOW, PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR ASHRAF JEHANGIR QAZI POINTED OUT THAT THE ISI WAS ACTIVELY PARTICIPATING IN THE RAIDS TO CATCH AL-QAEDA, BELYING THOSE IN THE U.S. MEDIA WHO ACCUSED THE AGENCY OF NOT COOPERATING IN THE WAR AGAINST TERRORISM. END QUOTE.

5."PAKISTAN NOT TO EXTRADITE KHALID TO U.S.:  
FAISAL" "THE NATION" (03/03)

QUOTE: PAKISTAN WOULD NOT EXTRADITE ALLEGED  
MASTERMIND OF SEPTEMBER 11, KHALID SHEIKH MUHAMMAD, TO  
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THE U.S., BUT COULD CONSIDER HAVING HIM OVER TO KUWAIT, BEING A NATIONAL OF THAT COUNTRY, INTERIOR MINISTER FAISAL SALEH HAYAT TOLD "THE NATION" ON SUNDAY. THE INTERIOR MINISTER SAID THAT KHALID, WHO WAS ARRESTED ON FRIDAY IN A STING OPERATION IN RAWLPINDI, IS IN PAKISTAN AND HAS NOT BEEN HANDED OVER TO ANY COUNTRY. HOWEVER, HE DECLINED TO NAME THE SECURITY AGENCY WHICH HAS BEEN GIVEN THE CUSTODY OF KHALID. LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL MEDIA HAD CLAIMED THAT THE ARRESTED AL-QAEDA FUGITIVE WAS HANDED OVER TO U.S. AUTHORITIES.... END QUOTE.

6."9/11 MASTERMIND UNDER FBI INTERROGATION," "THE NEWS" (03/03)

QUOTE: KHALID SHAIKH MUHAMMAD, THE SUSPECTED MASTERMIND OF THE SEPTEMBER 11 TERRORIST ATTACKS AND ONE OF USAMA BIN LADEN'S MOST SENIOR LIEUTENANTS, WAS SUNDAY UNDER INTERROGATION BY U.S. FBI AGENTS AT AN UNKNOWN LOCATION IN PAKISTAN, SECURITY OFFICIALS SAID. EARLIER, PAKISTANI OFFICIALS SAID KHALID WAS HANDED OVER TO THE U.S. FOLLOWING HIS SEIZURE IN A PRE-DAWN RAID IN RAWALPINDI SATURDAY AND WAS DUE TO BE FLOWN EARLY SUNDAY TO THE U.S.-CONTROLLED AIR BASE AT BAGRAM IN AFGHANISTAN, BUT THE INTERIOR MINISTER DENIED THE NOTION.... END QUOTE.

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7. "FAMILY RULES OUT QADOOS' LINKS WITH AL-QAEDA"  
"THE NATION" (03/03)

QUOTE: FAMILY MEMBERS OF AHMED ABDUL QADOOS, WHO WAS  
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PICKED UP BY THE FBI FROM WESTRIDGE OVERNIGHT SATURDAY  
ON SUSPICION OF HAVING LINKS WITH AL-QAEDA, HAVE RULED  
OUT ANY POSSIBILITY OF EITHER HIS INVOLVEMENT IN  
TERRORISM OR ANY CONNECTION WITH KALID SHEIKH  
MUHAMMAD, THE TOP AL-QAEDA OPERATIVE AND ONE OF THE  
MOST WANTED FUGITIVES TO THE UNITED STATES.... END  
QUOTE.

-- IRAQ

8. "MASSIVE MMA RALLY FLAYS IRAQ WAR" "THE NEWS"  
(03/03)

QUOTE: A MAMMOTH RALLY OF THE MUTTAHIDA MAJLIS-E-AMAL  
(MMA) ON SUNDAY DECLARED THAT AN ATTACK ON IRAQ WOULD  
BE CONSIDERED AS AN ATTACK ON THE MUSLIM WORLD AND  
WARNED THAT THE PEOPLE WOULD REMOVE THE PRESENT  
GOVERNMENT IF IT DID NOT OPPOSE THE U.S. RESOLUTION IN  
THE UNITED NATIONS SECURITY COUNCIL.... END QUOTE.

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-- U.S.-PAK RELATIONS

9. "SUPPORTING A JUST CAUSE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
CENTER-RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/01)

QUOTE: THE STATEMENT BY CONGRESSMAN (SIC) ROBERT J.  
GUIDA IN SUPPORT OF PAKISTAN'S JUST STAND ON KASHMIR,  
AND HIS APPEAL TO HIS GOVERNMENT BACK HOME TO PLAY ITS  
DUE ROLE IN RESOLVING THE ISSUE, DEMONSTRATE THAT SANE  
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VOICES ARE NOT YET EXTINCT IN AMERICAN PUBLIC LIFE. WHILE THE U.S. ADMINISTRATION REMAINS QUIXOTICALLY FIXATED WITH SELLING ITS NEW WAR IN IRAQ, CHRISTINA ROCCA BEING ON ONE SUCH VISIT TO ISLAMABAD, VOICES LIKE CONGRESSMAN GUIDA'S BRING SOME HOPE IN A STIFLING ENVIRONMENT. THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS FAILED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PRICE PAKISTAN HAS PAID FOR ITS SUPPORT IN THE WAR AGAINST TERRORISM. THOUGH PAKISTAN ACQUIESCED TO ITS INCREASING DEMANDS SINCE 9/11, THE U.S. HAS CONSTANTLY BEEN VOICING INDIAN INTERESTS AND OPINIONS. PAKISTANI POLICYMAKERS NEED TO THINK THAT IF THE ATTACK AGAINST IRAQ CAN BE JUSTIFIED ON THE PLEA THAT IT HASN'T DONE MUCH FOR KASHMIR, THEN WHAT EXPLAINS GIVING MORE CONCESSIONS TO THE U.S.? HAS THE U.S. SHOWN ANY MORE SINCERITY WITH THE KASHMIR CAUSE THAN THE RENEGADE IRAQI DICTATOR? PAKISTAN NEEDS TO REITERATE THE POINT MADE BY CONGRESSMAN GUIDA. FREEDOM FROM TERRORISM WOULD ONLY COME THROUGH THE SOLUTION OF LONG-STANDING DISPUTES, NOT IN WAR. END QUOTE.

-- TERRORISM

10. "TERRORISTS STRIKE AGAIN," AN EDITORIAL IN THE KARACHI-BASED INDEPENDENT NATIONAL DAILY, "DAWN" (03/01)

QUOTE: YESTERDAY'S TERRORIST ATTACK OUTSIDE THE U.S. CONSULATE IN KARACHI LEFT TWO POLICEMEN DEAD AND FIVE INJURED, REMINDING THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES ONCE AGAIN OF THE EVER PRESENT AND GROWING THREAT OF TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE IN THE COUNTRY.... THE

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PREVALENT SENSE OF INSECURITY AND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES' FAILURE TO GO RESOLUTELY AFTER THE PERPETRATORS AND BRING THEM TO JUSTICE HAVE FORCED MANY FOREIGN MISSIONS IN THE CITY TO CUT THE STRENGTH OF THEIR STAFF IN THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICES. IT IS TIME THE AUTHORITIES WOKE UP AND ACTED MORE DILIGENTLY IN CURBING THE GROWING THREAT OF TERRORISM AND VIOLENCE, WHICH, GIVEN THE REGIONAL SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE IRAQ CRISIS, IS LIKELY TO MOUNT IN THE COMING DAYS, WEEKS AND MONTHS. END QUOTE.

11. "ATTACK ON U.S. CONSULATE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE LAHORE-BASED DAILY, "DAILY TIMES" (03/02)

QUOTE: ... THE ATTACK ON THE U.S. CONSULATE (IN KARACHI) HAS BEEN NOTED BY THE INTERNATIONAL MEDIA,

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AND WORD HAS GONE AROUND ONCE AGAIN ABOUT THE GENERAL INSECURITY OF LIFE AND PROPERTY IN PAKISTAN. THIS IS NOT GOOD FOR PAKISTAN'S IMAGE AND FOR PAKISTAN'S BELEAGUERED ECONOMY. AFTER THE SHIA MASSACRE, THERE WAS MUCH PIOUS DISCUSSION ON TV ABOUT THE "ANTI-ISLAMIC" ACTIVITY OF THE SECTARIAN KILLERS, WITH THE

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USUAL BLARNEY ABOUT HOW A "TRUE MUSLIM" WOULD NOT KILL  
A FELLOW MUSLIM AND HOW THE COUNTRY'S POPULATION WAS  
NOT SWAYED AT ALL BY SECTARIAN PASSIONS. ULEMA WITH  
HOLY BEARDS CAME ON PTV AND PROMISED HOW THEY WOULD  
CREATE SECTARIAN HARMONY DURING THE MONTH OF MUHARRAM  
AND NOT ALLOW MORE DEATHS TO OCCUR. NO ONE DISCUSSED  
THE FACT THAT THERE WERE AT LEAST FIVE CITIES WHERE A  
SHIA-SUNNI STANDOFF WAS IN EVIDENCE AND KILLING COULD  
START ANY TIME: KARACHI, PARACHINAR, D. G. KHAN,  
GILGIT AND JHANG. THERE IS A WHOLE META-HISTORY OF  
SECTARIAN MURDER IN THESE PLACES, WHICH COULD BE  
TRACED TO DELIBERATE ACTS OF THE STATE IN THE LAST 20  
YEARS OF ISLAMISATION, BUT NO ONE HAS BEEN HONEST

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ENOUGH TO ADMIT THAT SUCH TROUBLE SPOTS EXIST. THE  
OTHER WORRISOME ASPECT OF THIS TERRORISM IS THAT IT IS  
CONNECTED TO JIHAD. PEOPLE WHO KILL THE SHIAS ARE THE  
SAME PEOPLE WHO WERE INDUCTED BY THE STATE INTO JIHAD  
AND WERE SENT FOR TRAINING IN AFGHANISTAN.... THE  
TRUTH IS THAT THE SEMINARIES ARE FLUSH WITH FUNDS.  
THEY ARE DEFYING ALL GOVERNMENT EFFORTS TO REGISTER  
THEM AND BRING THEM UNDER STATE CONTROL. HOW THEN CAN  
ANYONE APPEAR ON PTV AND SAY ALL IS WELL WITH SOCIETY  
IN PAKISTAN? END QUOTE.

12. "A DRACONIAN PROPOSAL," AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
KARACHI-BASED INDEPENDENT NATIONAL DAILY, "DAWN"  
(03/03)

QUOTE: AMERICA'S CHIEF POLICEMAN, ATTORNEY-GENERAL  
JOHN ASHCROFT, HAS COME UP WITH YET ANOTHER PROPOSAL  
THAT COULD SHARPLY ABRIDGE CIVIL LIBERTIES IN HIS  
COUNTRY AND BE USED AGAINST PEOPLE FROM A SPECIFIC  
ETHNIC BACKGROUND AND FAITH. THE PROPOSED DOMESTIC  
SECURITY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2003 SEEKS DRASTIC  
PENALTIES FOR AMERICAN CITIZENS SUSPECTED OF

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SUPPORTING TERRORIST ORGANIZATIONS.... OTHER THAN THE FACT THAT SUCH ORWELLIAN MEASURES HAVE LITTLE IF ANY VALUE IN TERMS OF ACTUALLY HELPING THE U.S. GOVERNMENT SUCCEED IN ITS OBJECTIVE OF APPREHENDING TERRORISTS, MOST OF THEM SEEM TO GO AGAINST THE BASIC NOTION OF FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS.... CLEARLY, THE PROPOSED LAW COULD BE USED TO TARGET PARTICULAR COMMUNITIES SETTLED IN THE U.S., ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM MUSLIM OR MIDDLE EASTERN BACKGROUNDS. AMERICAN CITIZENS OF

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PAKISTANI ORIGIN WOULD ALSO HAVE MUCH TO LOSE FROM THE PASSAGE OF SUCH AN ACT. HOPEFULLY, GOOD SENSE WILL PREVAIL OVER THE BUSH ADMINISTRATION AND FORCE THE LIKES OF MR. ASHCROFT NOT TO PUSH PROPOSALS THAT WILL DO LITTLE TO ENHANCE DOMESTIC SECURITY BUT MUCH TO INCREASE DISCRIMINATION AND A SENSE OF RESENTMENT AMONG MILLIONS OF LAW-ABIDING AMERICANS. END QUOTE.

13. "PROBLEM THAT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED IMMEDIATELY," AN EDITORIAL NOTE IN THE CENTER-RIGHT URDU DAILY, "PAKISTAN" (03/03)

QUOTE: THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT THE NATIONAL AND FOREIGN AGENCIES' VIOLATION OF LAW AND CONCEALMENT OF THE DETAILS OF OPERATIONS CONDUCTED BY THEM BRING DISREPUTE TO THE GOVERNMENT. THE REACTION OF RAWALPINDI'S AFFECTED FAMILY (QADOOS) AND MMA AND OTHER PARTIES PROTESTS CANNOT BE IGNORED.... WE HOPE THAT THE GOVERNMENT AND THE INSTITUTIONS CONCERNED WOULD UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF THE ISSUE AND TAKE PROMPT ACTION TO ENSURE IMPROVEMENT IN THE PROCEDURE ADOPTED SO FAR. END QUOTE.

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14. "PAKISTAN HAS BEEN MORTGAGED" AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
SENSATIONALIST KARACHI-BASED URDU DAILY "UMMAT",  
(03/03)

QUOTE: IN THE MIDDLE OF NIGHT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY,  
THE FBI RAIDED A HOUSE OF A DOCTOR IN RAWALPINDI IN  
THE PRESENCE OF OTHER PAKISTANI AGENCIES. THIS JOINT  
EXERCISE RESULTED IN THE ARREST OF KHALID SHEIKH, THE  
MAN ON AMERICA'S MOST WANTED LIST. BESIDES DR. ABDUL  
QADOOS AND SHEIKH KHALID, THE DOCTOR'S SON WAS ALSO

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ARRESTED, WHO IS SAID TO HAVE HELPED THE INQUIRY TEAM  
REGARDING AL-QAEDA'S INFORMATION NETWORK. BEFORE THIS  
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NEWS HIT THE NEWSPAPERS, A PRIVATE NEWS CHANNEL  
RELEASED THE NEWS OF THE ARREST OF AL-QAEDA MEMBERS,  
ALONG WITH THE NEWS THAT THE IMF HAS APPROVED A FRESH  
LOAN FOR PAKISTAN. ALL THESE EVENTS SEEM TO BE TAKING  
PLACE ON THE SAME NIGHT. IT BECOMES ALL THE MORE  
CONSPICUOUS THAT THE MILLION MARCH WAS DUE THE NEXT  
DAY, AND TO MAKE A CASE FOR SECURITY IN THE CITY, THE  
FIRING INCIDENT AT THE AMERICAN CONSULATE TOOK PLACE.  
END QUOTE.

-- IRAQ

15. "U.S. PRESSURE FOR PAK VOTE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
CENTER-RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/01)

QUOTE: ... WE SHOULD BE BOLD ENOUGH TO TELL VISITING  
U.S. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE CHRISTINA ROCCA  
PLAINLY THAT THE EVIDENCE SO FAR PRODUCED DOES NOT  
MAKE A CONVINCING CASE AGAINST BAGHDAD. JUSTICE,  
THEREFORE, DEMANDS THAT THE UN ARMS INSPECTORS BE  
ALLOWED TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK TO SATISFY THEMSELVES  
WHETHER THE IRAQIS ARE HIDING WEAPONS OF MASS  
DESTRUCTION OR NOT. IRRESPECTIVE OF THEIR FINDINGS,  
GIVEN THE WILL, THE ISSUE COULD BE SORTED OUT  
DIPLOMATICALLY. BESIDES, THE U.S. AS THE SOLE  
SUPERPOWER SHOULD BE WORKING TO REINFORCE  
UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CIVILIZATIONS. AT THE SAME  
TIME, PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN'S SPECIAL ENVOY, ALSO  
CURRENTLY IN ISLAMABAD, SHOULD BE HEARD WITH DUE  
RESPECT AND COURTESY AND COUNSELED TO FULLY COMPLY  
WITH RESOLUTION 1441 TO AVOID PROVIDING AN EXCUSE FOR  
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ARMED INTERVENTION. IT IS A PITY THAT PAKISTAN HAS  
CHOSEN TO ADOPT A FENCE-SITTING ATTITUDE, TURNING A  
BLIND EYE TO THE HORRIBLE FALLOUT MILITARY ACTION  
COULD HAVE ON ITS ECONOMY, THE DEVASTATION IT WOULD  
WREAK ON A FELLOW MUSLIM COUNTRY AND PROVOKE AN ANGRY  
PUBLIC RESPONSE. WE COULD HAVE PRESENTED OUR OWN  
RESOLUTION LAYING DOWN THE ROADMAP TO PEACEFUL  
SETTLEMENT OF THE ISSUE INSTEAD OF TAKING THE  
BACKSEAT. WE SHOULD NOW ACTIVELY COORDINATE WITH THE  
FRENCH, WHO HAVE TABLED AN ALTERNATIVE RESOLUTION, AND  
LOBBY FOR RESOLVING THE MATTER WITHOUT RECOURSE TO

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WAR.... END QUOTE.

16. "THE REAL WAR AIM IN THE MIDDLE EAST," AN  
EDITORIAL IN THE KARACHI-BASED INDEPENDENT NATIONAL  
DAILY, "DAWN" (03/01)

QUOTE: PRESIDENT BUSH HAS OUTLINED HIS CHILLING  
VISION FOR THE MIDDLE EAST TO BE PURSUED FOLLOWING THE  
OUSTER OR ELIMINATION OF SADDAM HUSSEIN IN A U.S.-LED  
INVASION OF IRAQ. IN ESSENCE, THE U.S. PRESIDENT IS  
SET TO EMBARK ON A COURSE OF ACTION WHOSE OSTENSIBLE

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AIM IS TO SPREAD THE LIGHT OF DEMOCRACY ACROSS THE  
MIDDLE EAST THROUGH THE BARREL OF THE GUN. THE PRIME  
BENEFICIARY, ACCORDING TO THIS BLUEPRINT, IS LIKELY TO  
BE THE STATE OF ISRAEL.... THE BUSH VISION SEEMS TO  
SANCTIFY THE OPTION OF MILITARY INTERVENTION AS A MODE  
OF CORRECTIVE ACTION OR ENFORCEMENT WHEREVER DEMOCRACY  
IS STUBBORNLY RESISTANT TO OUTSIDE ENCOURAGEMENT. IT  
IS THIS MISSIONARY ZEAL TO SAVE THE MIDDLE EAST FROM  
ITSELF THAT IS SUPPOSED TO PROVIDE A MORAL  
JUSTIFICATION FOR A LONG-TERM OCCUPATION - SOMETHING  
THAT IS CLEARLY WARRANTED BY LESS ALTRUISTIC MOTIVES.  
ANY ATTEMPT BY AN OCCUPYING ARMY TO BRING DEMOCRACY TO  
THE ARAB WORLD WILL CLEARLY BE SEEN BOTH BY ARAB

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NATIONALISTS AND ISLAMISTS AS A COVER FOR A NEW KIND  
OF COLONIALISM AND A NEW VERSION OF THE CRUSADE  
AGAINST ISLAM AND MUSLIMS. DEMOCRACY IS NOT SOMETHING  
THAT CAN BE FOISTED FROM ABOVE; IT HAS TO COME FROM  
WITHIN SOCIETIES THEMSELVES AT A CERTAIN STAGE OF  
THEIR POLITICAL DEVELOPMENT. IF THE U.S. GOES AHEAD  
WITH ITS UNILATERAL ACTION AGAINST IRAQ, IT COULD OPEN  
UP A PANDORA'S BOX, WITH A WHOLE HOST OF NATIONS  
TEMPTED TO TAKE SIMILAR ACTION TO FURTHER THEIR AIMS.  
THE WORLD, ESPECIALLY THE MUSLIM WORLD, HAS A DUTY TO  
FIGHT BACK AGAINST THIS DANGEROUS WAY OF ATTEMPTING TO  
REORDER THE REGION AND THE WORLD GENERALLY....  
PAKISTAN, WHICH NOW HAPPENS TO BE A MEMBER OF THE  
SECURITY COUNCIL, WOULD DO WELL TO THINK DEEPLY ABOUT  
THIS ISSUE BEFORE CASTING WHAT COULD BE A CRUCIAL  
VOTE.... POSTERITY WILL BE A HARSH JUDGE OF THOSE WHO  
GO ALONG WITH A POLICY THAT ENCOURAGES A UNILATERAL

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ATTACK ON IRAQ AND PRESAGES A LONG-TERM PRESENCE OF THE US IN THE REGION, ARMED WITH A DANGEROUSLY AMBITIOUS AGENDA OF ITS OWN. THE BUSH VISION FOR THE REGION PROMISES ONLY DEEP TURMOIL AND DISORDER. THE MUSLIM WORLD MUST STOP CALCULATING WHAT IT WILL GAIN FROM BACKING SUCH A VISION AND THINK BEYOND ITS NARROW SELF-INTEREST. IT IS TIME TO LOOK REALITY STARKLY IN THE FACE AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO SAY NO BEFORE IT IS TOO LATE. END QUOTE.

17. "PAKISTAN'S POSITION," AN EDITORIAL IN THE CENTRIST NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NEWS" (03/02)

QUOTE: PAKISTAN HAS A POTENTIALLY CRITICAL DECISION  
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TO TAKE IN THE DAYS AHEAD. THUS FAR, IT HAS BEEN ECHOING THE MAJORITY VIEW THAT ACTION AGAINST IRAQ MUST CARRY UN SANCTION. THIS MANTRA OF CONVENIENCE IS NO LONGER TENABLE BECAUSE PAKISTAN IS NOW A MEMBER OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL AND MUST SOON DECIDE WHETHER TO SUPPORT THE PRO-WAR U.S. STANCE, THE PEACEABLE FRANCO-GERMAN ALTERNATIVE, OR NEITHER. IN DOING SO, WHAT MUST ALSO BE FACTORED IN IS THE LESS NOTED FACT THAT A CRUCIAL PRECEDENT IS BEING SET IN IRAQ. IT HAS ALREADY BEEN CONCEDED BY MOST COUNTRIES THAT THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAS THE RIGHT TO DECIDE THAT IRAQ CANNOT RETAIN LONG-RANGE MISSILES AND WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION EVEN THOUGH ISRAEL (AND OTHERS) MAY DO SO.... PRESIDENT MUSHARRAF HAS ALREADY VOICED THE PERVASIVE VIEW THAT PAKISTAN COULD ALSO FIND ITSELF ON THE CHOPPING BLOCK. POSSIBLE FUTURE TARGETS ARE BEING BANDIED ABOUT IN THE INTERNATIONAL MEDIA.... THINGS CANNOT GET MUCH CLEARER FOR ISLAMABAD. IT CARRIES A POOR RECORD OF SELLING ITS SERVICES TO THE U.S. IN THE CUTTHROAT WORLD OF CONFLICTING SELF-INTERESTS, MORALITY IS THE HANDMAIDEN OF THE BIGGER GUNS. DR. BLIX MAY ALSO BEND THIS WAY OR THAT. THROUGH ALL THIS

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HAZE, WHAT ISLAMABAD NEEDS TO FOCUS ON IS THE  
 CRITICALITY OF SECURING A PUBLIC DECLARATION BY THE  
 U.S. THAT PAKISTAN'S ARSENAL IS AS GOOD OR BAD AS  
 INDIA'S. IF SUCH A GUARANTEE IS NOT FORTHCOMING,  
 PAKISTAN WILL NEED TO ASK WHY -- AND PONDER THAT THE

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POSITION IT TAKES TODAY SHOULD NOT RETURN TO HAUNT IT  
TOMORROW. END QUOTE.

18. "KARACHI FIRING," AN EDITORIAL IN THE CENTER-  
RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/02)

QUOTE: ... ANY ACT OF TERRORISM, LIKE THE FIRING  
OUTSIDE THE U.S. KARACHI CONSULATE GENERAL WHICH LEFT  
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TWO POLICEMEN DEAD, MUST BE CONDEMNED AS IT TARGETS  
INNOCENT PEOPLE.... WHAT IS SIGNIFICANT IS THAT THE  
INCIDENT, THE SECOND ATTEMPT ON THE CONSULATE GENERAL  
IN NINE MONTHS, TOOK PLACE WHILE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
OF STATE CHRISTINA ROCCA WAS IN ISLAMABAD, PRESUMABLY  
TO ENLIST PAKISTAN'S SUPPORT FOR A SECOND UN  
RESOLUTION ON IRAQ AUTHORIZING FORCE. THE ATTACKER  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN MOTIVATED BY THE ANTI-US SENTIMENT  
RISING ALL OVER THE MUSLIM WORLD, WHICH CONSIDERS A  
WAR ON IRAQ THOROUGHLY UNJUSTIFIED.... IT IS NOT  
PROPER UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES TO LET A HANDFUL OF  
BUREAUCRATS OR GENERALS FORMULATE POLICY ON IRAQ.  
WHILE MR. JAMALI MIGHT CONTINUE TO GET BRIEFINGS FROM  
THE FOREIGN OFFICE AND DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH GENERAL  
MUSHARRAF, AS HE HAS BEEN DOING SINCE ASSUMING OFFICE,  
HE IS WELL-ADVISED TO TAKE THE MATTER TO THE NATIONAL  
ASSEMBLY, WHERE ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES BETTER  
COGNIZANT OF PUBLIC SENTIMENT ARE IN A POSITION TO  
HAMMER OUT A POLICY REFLECTIVE OF THE PEOPLE'S  
ASPIRATIONS. THIS ALONE CAN GUARANTEE THERE IS NO  
INSTABILITY IN THE COUNTRY CAUSED BY U.S. ACTION IN  
THE GULF. WITH THE U.S. BENT ON ATTACKING IRAQ, THE  
GOVERNMENT MUST BE PREPARED TO DEAL WITH THE POSSIBLE  
FALLOUT OF THE MILITARY ADVENTURE ON PAKISTAN. THE  
ATTACK ON THE POLICE PICKET MUST BE TAKEN AS A  
PREMONITION OF THINGS TO COME. MORE TERRORIST OR MOB  
ATTACKS ON U.S. (OR OTHER WESTERN) CITIZENS AND  
PROPERTY MAY BE ATTEMPTED.... END QUOTE.

19. "DESPITE IRAQ'S COMPLIANCE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
KARACHI-BASED INDEPENDENT NATIONAL DAILY, "DAWN"  
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QUOTE: IRAQ'S OFFER TO DESTROY ITS AL-SAMOUD MISSILES  
IS YET ANOTHER PROOF OF ITS WILLINGNESS TO COMPLY WITH  
THE UN RESOLUTIONS ON DISARMAMENT AND FACILITATE A

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PEACEFUL RESOLUTION OF THE CURRENT CRISIS.... TRUE TO THE PATTERN, WASHINGTON HAS DISMISSED THE IRAQI DECISION AS YET ANOTHER INSTANCE OF "TRICKERY." SO FAR, IT HAS REJECTED ALL IRAQI MOVES IN COMPLIANCE WITH RESOLUTION 1441 OR IN RESPONSE TO SPECIFIC DEMANDS BY WEAPONS INSPECTORS.... IT APPEARS THE UN AND UNMOVIC ARE WASTING THEIR TIME, BECAUSE NOTHING IS GOING TO CHANGE AMERICA'S WAR PLANS. IN FACT, PRESIDENT GEORGE BUSH HAS MADE HIS INTENTIONS CLEAR WHEN HE SAID THAT EVEN THE DESTRUCTION OF THE MISSILES WOULD NOT SAVE PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN AND HIS REGIME. THEN, ONE MAY ASK, WHAT IS THIS INSPECTION DRAMA ABOUT? AND WHY THIS SECOND UN RESOLUTION? WHY NOT A WAR EVEN WITHOUT UN AUTHORIZATION - IF TRUTH, JUSTICE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW AND MORALITY ARE TO BE TREATED WITH OPEN CONTEMPT. AMERICA MAY BE THE VICTOR IN THE SHORT RUN, BUT IN THE LONGER AN AMERICAN

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VICTORY OVER IRAQ MAY PROVE FRIGHTFULLY PYRRHIC. END  
QUOTE.

20. "IRAQ AND WAR," AN EDITORIAL IN THE CENTRIST  
NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NEWS" (03/03)

QUOTE: A SEQUENCE OF DEVELOPMENTS, FAR FROM HELPING  
TO END THE THREAT OF AN AMERICAN ATTACK ON IRAQ, HAS  
MERELY EXTENDED THE WAITING PERIOD FOR A FINAL  
DENOUEMENT. THE REPORT OF THE UN MONITORING,  
VERIFICATION AND INSPECTION COMMISSION (UNMOVIC),  
WHICH HAS BEEN SUBMITTED AND WAS EXPECTED TO INFLUENCE  
A U.S. DECISION ON ITS FUTURE COURSE OF ACTION VIS-A-  
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VIS IRAQ, FAILS TO SAY ANYTHING SPECIFIC EXCEPT  
RECAPITULATING ITS ACTIVITIES.... IN A DIFFERENT  
FIELD, AMERICA SUFFERED A MAJOR SETBACK IN THE VOTING  
OF THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT, WHICH FAILED TO ENDORSE THE  
GOVERNMENT'S REQUEST TO ALLOW THE U.S. THE USE OF ITS  
TERRITORY TO MOUNT AN ATTACK ON IRAQ.... AT THE SAME  
TIME A SUMMIT OF ARAB STATES AT SHARM EL-SHEIKH IN  
EGYPT OPPOSED ANY ATTACK ON IRAQ AND INSTEAD CALLED  
FOR MORE TIME TO THE WEAPONS INSPECTORS AND URGED IRAQ  
TO FULFILL THE TERMS OF RESOLUTION 1441. THERE WAS NO  
OVERT SUPPORT FOR THE U.S. AT THE SUMMIT EXCEPT A CALL

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TO SADDAM HUSSEIN TO RESIGN TO PREVENT WAR. THE UAE ISSUED THE CALL WITH THE BACKING OF KUWAIT AND SAUDI ARABIA. THE OBVIOUS MESSAGE WAS THAT NO ONE FAVORED WAR AND THE U.S. WILL HAVE TO GO ITS WAY ALONE. BUT THIS HAS MERELY DELAYED A DECISION, BUT NOT OUTLAWED THE THREAT OF WAR. END QUOTE.

21. "WILL THE INSPECTORS BE GIVEN MORE TIME?" AN EDITORIAL IN THE LEADING MASS CIRCULATION URDU DAILY, "JANG" (03/03)

QUOTE: APPARENTLY, PRESIDENT SADDAM HUSSEIN, TAKING SERIOUSLY THE RESOLUTION 1441, HAS STARTED DESTROYING THE AL-SAMOUD MISSILES. CHIEF INSPECTOR BLIX HAS ENDORSED THIS AS A POSITIVE STEP AND HAS EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO EXTEND THE DEADLINE TO FULLY ACCOMPLISH THIS TASK. THE ARAB LEAGUE HAS ALSO REJECTED THE IDEA OF WAR AGAINST IRAQ. THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT HAS ALSO PROTESTED AGAINST POSTING AMERICAN TROOPS IN TURKEY AND THE USE OF TURKISH SOIL FOR ATTACK PURPOSES.

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THREE COUNTRIES WITH VETO POWER ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL HAVE EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO GIVE MORE TIME TO THE WEAPONS INSPECTORS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH RESOLUTION 1441. THIS CAN BE SUMMED UP THAT NOBODY IS IN FAVOR OF WAR EXCEPT PRESIDENT BUSH AND PRIME MINISTER TONY BLAIR. END QUOTE.

22. "TURKISH SURPRISE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE CENTER-RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/03)

QUOTE: THE VALUE OF A GENUINE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED BY EVENTS IN TURKEY.... THOUGH THE VOTE HAS JEOPARDIZED AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE U.S. INVASION PLAN, ITS INITIAL REACTION HAS BEEN TO ACCEPT THE DECISION AS THE RESULT OF A DEMOCRATIC PROCESS. THIS MAKES TURKEY THE ONLY COUNTRY SINCE 9/11 WHICH HAS REFUSED THE U.S. ITS REQUIREMENT FOR INVADING A NEIGHBOR.... TURKEY HAS NOT JUST OFFENDED AN OLD ALLY, BUT HAS GIVEN UP A \$6 BILLION AID PACKAGE, WHICH ALSO FACILITATED THE RAISING OF \$30 BILLION IN COMMERCIAL LOANS AT LOW INTEREST. PAKISTAN'S MILITARY GOVERNMENT WAS EUPHORIC OVER PEANUTS; TURKEY'S

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LEGISLATURE REFUSED THE KEY TO THE BANK VAULT. THIS WAS IN A LARGE MEASURE BECAUSE TURKEY REMAINED DISSATISFIED WITH THE UNITED STATES' POST-WAR INTENTIONS. TURKEY REMAINS AFRAID THAT IF THE U.S. BACKS THE KURDS IN NORTHWESTERN IRAQ IN THEIR DESIRE TO OBTAIN INDEPENDENCE, IT WOULD DESTABILIZE TURKEY'S OWN KURDISH MINORITY, AND THUS IT WILL NOT BE A PARTY. PAKISTAN DID NOT BOTHER TO CONSIDER HOW THE U.S. INVASION WOULD AFFECT ITS OWN PUSHTOONS. MR. JAMALI SAID AT SIBI THAT THERE WAS STILL CONSIDERABLE PRESSURE (ON PAKISTAN). HE SHOULD FOLLOW THE TURKISH EXAMPLE AND TAKE THE MATTER OF PAKISTAN'S IRAQ POLICY TO PARLIAMENT AND DECLARE HIS GOVERNMENT WILL ABIDE BY

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THE RESULT, WHICH WILL NOT BE TOO DIFFERENT FROM  
TURKEY'S. END QUOTE.

23. "TURKISH PARLIAMENT AND DECISIONS OF THE ARAB LEAGUE" PRO-ISLAMIC NEWSPAPER, "JASARAT" (03/03)

QUOTE: THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT HAS REJECTED A MOTION BY 264 VOTES VS. 250 VOTES FOR POSTING 62,000 AMERICAN TROOPS IN TURKEY. SIMILARLY, THE ARAB LEAGUE HAS STRONGLY REJECTED WAR AGAINST IRAQ AT SHARMEL SHAEIKH. THIS IS A TIME THAT CALLS FOR ARAB UNITY.... END QUOTE.

24. "TURKISH PARLIAMENT'S SURPRISE VOTE?," AN EDITORIAL IN THE LAHORE-BASED DAILY, "DAILY TIMES" (03/03)

QUOTE: ... WHAT FACTORS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DECISION OF THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT? OF COURSE, THERE IS POPULAR OPPOSITION TO THE WAR IN TURKEY, WITH 96 PER CENT OF THE PEOPLE OPENLY OPPOSED TO THE WAR AND U.S. TROOP DEPLOYMENT. BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT REASON HAS TO DO WITH THE KURDISH QUESTION, WHICH IS STILL HANGING FIRE.... WHILE THE U.S. SAYS IT WILL NOT ALLOW THE KURDS TO TAKE CONTROL OF THE NORTHERN OIL WELLS AND DECLARE INDEPENDENCE, ANKARA IS NOT CONVINCED. THERE IS A FEELING THAT IN THE HEAT OF THE MOMENT, THE U.S. WOULD NOT BE AVERSE TO KURDISH DEMANDS, JUST LIKE IT DID NOTHING TO PREVENT THE NORTHERN ALLIANCE IN AFGHANISTAN FROM TAKING CONTROL OF KABUL DESPITE EARLIER ASSURANCES THAT IT WOULD PREVENT THEM FROM

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 DOING SO. THE LAST THING THE TURKISH ARMY WANTS IS ANY  
 FILLIP TO THE KURD MOVEMENT FOR AN INDEPENDENT STATE  
 CARVED OUT OF IRAQ AND TURKEY. THAT IS PROBABLY WHY  
 THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT'S NEGATIVE VOTE WAS ALLOWED TO  
 BE REGISTERED. THE TURKISH ARMY ISN'T AT ALL  
 ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT U.S. TROOP DEPLOYMENT AND U.S. WAR  
 PLANS IN NORTH IRAQ IF THESE ARE INIMICAL TO TURKEY'S  
 NATIONAL INTEREST VIEWPOINT REGARDING HOW TO DEAL WITH  
 THE KURDS. THE FEELING SEEMS TO BE THAT NO AMOUNT OF  
 AID CAN OFFSET THE SECURITY THREAT TO TURKEY OF  
 POSSIBLE KURDISH INDEPENDENCE. IN FACT, THE TURKISH  
 ARMY COULD HAVE ORCHESTRATED THE NEGATIVE  
 PARLIAMENTARY VOTE, PARADOXICALLY RELYING ON  
 ISLAMISTS' OPPOSITION TO A WAR ON IRAQ TO EITHER  
 SCUTTLE U.S. PLANS OF DEPLOYMENT IN THE NORTH OR TO  
 SQUEEZE OUT MORE CONCESSIONS FROM THE UNITED STATES,  
 ESPECIALLY REGARDING THE TURKISH ARMY'S GREATER  
 FREEDOM OF ACTION IN THE REGION, IF NEED BE, AGAINST  
 THE KURDS.... THE PLOT KEEPS THICKENING. NEITHER THE  
 TURKS NOR THE AMERICANS HAVE THROWN IN THE TOWEL JUST  
 AS YET. END QUOTE.

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25. "COURAGEOUS STANDS BY TURKEY AND ARAB LEAGUE AND  
PAKISTAN," AN EDITORIAL IN THE SECOND LARGEST URDU  
DAILY, "NAWA-E-WAQT" (03/03)

QUOTE: THE POLICIES THAT THE TURKISH PARLIAMENT AND  
THE ARAB LEAGUE HAVE ADOPTED ARE REFLECTIVE OF THE  
MUSLIMS ASPIRATIONS.... OBVIOUSLY, IT IS DIFFICULT  
FOR OUR MILITARY RULERS AND THE QUASI-DEMOCRATIC  
GOVERNMENT TO BREAK THE AMERICAN JUGGERNAUT BECAUSE OF  
THE DEBT TRAP AND OUR RULERS FRIENDSHIP WITH PRESIDENT  
BUSH.... IT WOULD BE BETTER THAT INSTEAD OF GENERAL  
MUSHARRAF AND PRIME MINISTER JAMALI TAKING A DECISION  
IN THIS REGARD (ON IRAQ), THE MATTER SHOULD BE LEFT TO  
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THE PARLIAMENT, WHICH SHOULD BE GIVEN A CHANCE TO TAKE  
A DECISION IN KEEPING WITH THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE  
PEOPLE. END QUOTE.

26. "THE MORAL WAR?," AN OP-ED BY SHAUKAT QADIR IN  
THE LAHORE-BASED DAILY, "DAILY TIMES" (03/03)

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QUOTE: ... THE UN INSPECTORS HAVE FAILED TO FIND ANY EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT THE VIEW THAT IRAQ EVEN POSSESSES WMD, LET ALONE THE INTENT TO USE THEM. NEITHER HAS THE WORLD BOUGHT THE "IRAQI CONNECTION WITH AL-QAEDA". THIS DISCOVERY TOOK ALL THE MORAL WIND OUT OF THE UNITED STATES' SAILS, BUT THIS SEEMS TO HAVE LEFT THEM EVEN MORE DETERMINED TO PROCEED WITH THEIR "MORAL WAR". HOWEVER, SOME FRESH JUSTIFICATION WAS NECESSARY AND THE GREAT SPIN DOCTOR FOR THE U.S., THE INIMICAL TONY BLAIR DECIDED THAT THEY SHOULD NOW SET FORTH TO RESCUE THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ FROM THAT TERRIBLE DICTATOR, SADDAM. SADDAM WAS TO BE REMOVED NOT BECAUSE HE THREATENS THE WORLD, BUT BECAUSE HE REPRESSED HIS OWN PEOPLE. CONSEQUENTLY, THERE IS A REPORT IN CIRCULATION, COURTESY THE U.S. INFORMATION CENTER, TITLED, "IRAQ: A POPULATION SILENCED".... IT IS LIKELY THAT THIS ENTIRE INDICTMENT IS CORRECT/TRUE BUT THIS WAS THE PERIOD WHEN IRAQ WAS BEING ARMED BY THE US, ENCOURAGED TO ATTACK IRAN, AND WAS GENERALLY CONSIDERED A FAVORED ALLY OF THE U.S. IT ADDS, "SADDAM HUSSEIN HAS TRIED TO SILENCE ETHNIC AND RELIGIOUS MINORITIES IN IRAQ AS WELL. DURING THE ANFAL CAMPAIGN OF 1987-88, SADDAM HUSSEIN'S REGIME KILLED AND TORTURED THE KURDISH POPULATION.... WASN'T THIS

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WHEN IRAQ WAS RECEIVING SUPPORT FROM THE U.S.? BUT WORST OF ALL, AS IN THE CASE OF AFGHANISTAN - WHERE THE "GET USAMA" WAR TURNED INTO ONE AIMED AT TOPPLING THE TALIBAN - HERE, TOO, THE PRIMARY AIM IS TO INVADE IRAQ. JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS WILL BE FOUND, SOMEHOW, SOMEWHERE. SINCE IRAQ CANNOT BE PROVED TO BE AN ESTABLISHED SOURCE OF TERRORISM OR A THREAT TO THE WORLD, THE U.S. AND U.K. WILL SET FORTH ON THEIR CRUSADE TO RESCUE THE PEOPLE OF IRAQ FROM REPRESSION. ONE OFTEN HEARS AMERICANS WONDER WHY THERE IS SO MUCH "ANTI-AMERICAN" FEELING THE WORLD OVER. I WONDER AT THE NAIVETY OF THOSE WHO ASK! END QUOTE.

27. "OF NOBLE MISSIONS AND SORDID AIMS," AN OP-ED BY ABDUL BASIT HAQQANI IN THE LAHORE-BASED DAILY, "DAILY TIMES" (03/03)

QUOTE: THE AMERICAN PRESIDENT MADE ANOTHER SPEECH THE OTHER DAY. HE ATTEMPTED, ALMOST DESPERATELY, TO CONVINCE LISTENERS THAT HIS BURNING DESIRE TO UNLEASH WAR WAS BASED ON THE NOBLEST AIMS.... HOW EASILY THE WORD "EVIL" COMES TO THE LIPS OF THOSE PROUD OF WHAT

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AMERICAN JOURNALISTS CALL THEIR "MORAL CERTAINTY" -  
ANOTHER EUPHEMISM FOR FUNDAMENTALIST FANATICISM....  
BUT IN TRUTH ISRAEL IS WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT. ALL  
POTENTIAL THREATS TO THAT "UNSINKABLE AMERICAN  
AIRCRAFT CARRIER" IN THE MIDDLE EAST MUST BE  
DESTROYED. THE PLAN IS MUCH BIGGER THAN "FIXING"  
SADDAM'S IRAQ. IRAQ IS ONLY THE FIRST STEP. IT  
TRANSPIRES THAT THE EVIL GENIUS OF THIS AMERICAN  
REGIME, THE "DARK PRINCE", RICHARD PERLE, WROTE A  
PAPER IN 1995 IN WHICH HE ARGUED THAT ISRAEL'S  
SECURITY COULD ONLY BE ENSURED BY DESTROYING OR  
REPLACING THE REGION'S GOVERNMENTS WITH THOSE THAT  
WOULD ACCEPT ISRAELI AND AMERICAN DOMINANCE (AND,  
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OBVIOUSLY, SURRENDER THEIR RESOURCES FOR USE BY THESE  
BENEFACTORS).... RICHARD PERLE WAS THE MASTERMIND  
DURING THE REAGAN ERA. IT WAS HIS STRATEGY TO REFUSE  
TO DISCUSS ANYTHING WITH THE SOVIET UNION, EVEN WHEN  
MOSCOW AGREED TO THE DEMANDS MADE BY WASHINGTON. THE  
SAME THING IS HAPPENING AGAIN. DEMANDS ARE MADE ON  
IRAQ, DEMANDS THAT AMOUNT TO CAPITULATION IN THE HOPE  
THAT THEY WOULD BE REJECTED AND PROVIDE AN EXCUSE FOR  
WAR. WHEN THEY ARE ACCEPTED, THE ADMINISTRATION  
REFUSES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ANY PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE  
AND STILL CRIES OUT TO BE ALLOWED TO UNLEASH THE DOGS  
OF WAR. PERLE'S HAND CAN BE CLEARLY SEEN IN THE  
TACTICS AS WELL AS THE STRATEGY. END QUOTE.

28. "INAUGURAL SESSION OF THE ARAB LEAGUE," AN  
EDITORIAL IN THE POPULAR URDU DAILY "DIN" (03/03)

QUOTE: IT IS ENCOURAGING THAT FOR THE FIRST TIME, THE  
ARAB LEAGUE HAS CALLED A SESSION BEFORE AN IMPORTANT  
BUT UNPLEASANT EVENT HAS TAKEN PLACE. WHAT USUALLY  
HAPPENS WITH THE ARAB LEAGUE IS THAT IT STARTS DIGGING  
FOR WATER AFTER THE WORLD IS ON FIRE.... ACCORDING TO  
ECONOMIC EXPERTS, EVEN IF THE ARABS DO NOTHING EXCEPT  
WITHDRAW THEIR MONEY FROM AMERICAN AND WESTERN BANKS,  
IT WOULD FORCE THOSE PREPARING FOR WAR TO STOP AND  
RECONSIDER THEIR PLANS. IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT THAT THE  
ARAB LEADERS CONSIDER MAHATIR MUHAMMAD'S SUGGESTION TO  
GIVE UP THEIR POLICY OF KEEPING FOREIGN EXCHANGE

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RESERVES IN DOLLARS. HOWEVER, THE REAL NEED IS FOR THE ARAB LEAGUE TO AVOID TAKING COSMETIC MEASURES AND DO SOMETHING CONCRETE. END QUOTE.

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29. "ARE WE WAITING FOR AN IMPOSED PEACE?," AN OP-ED BY MUHAMMAD HANEEF RAMAY IN THE CENTER-RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/01)

QUOTE: TODAY, RELATIONS BETWEEN PAKISTAN AND INDIA ARE CRITICAL, AND THEY MAY EVEN TAKE A TURN FOR THE WORSE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.... FOR FIFTY-FIVE YEARS, MILLIONS OF PEOPLE IN SOUTH ASIA HAVE SUFFERED FROM HUNGER, POVERTY, DISEASE, ILLITERACY AND UNEMPLOYMENT. WHY? PRIMARILY BECAUSE, OUT OF MUTUAL FEAR, WE HAVE BEEN SPENDING OUR SCARCE RESOURCES ON OVERSIZED MILITARY ESTABLISHMENTS AND ARMAMENTS. IT WOULD BE FOOLISH ON THE PART OF PAKISTAN AND INDIA TO IGNORE THEIR OWN GREATER INTERESTS AND KEEP DELAYING THE PEACE PROCESS. IT WILL INVITE HISTORY TO REPEAT ITSELF. LIKE AFGHANISTAN, WHERE CONFLICTING GROUPS WERE SUMMONED TO THE BONN CONFERENCE TO SIGN A PEACE ACCORD, A SIMILAR PEACE ACCORD MIGHT BE IMPOSED UPON PAKISTAN AND INDIA BY RUSSIA, AMERICA, EUROPE AND

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JAPAN. IT IS PREFERABLE THAT PAKISTAN AND INDIA WOULD  
VOLUNTARILY SIT TOGETHER AND, THROUGH WISDOM AND  
SAGACITY, RESOLVE ALL THEIR DISPUTES, INCLUDING  
KASHMIR. THEY CAN AT LEAST AGREE TO A PROVISIONAL  
SETTLEMENT FOR 15 TO 20 YEARS. DURING THAT TIME BOTH  
COUNTRIES WOULD FREE THEMSELVES OF THEIR MUTUAL HATRED  
AND FEAR. ... IF WE SIMPLY WAIT TO HAVE PEACE IMPOSED  
UPON US, A PEACE ACCORD WILL BE DRAFTED TO SUIT THE  
NEEDS OF OTHERS. IF AMERICA, RUSSIA AND THEIR ALLIES  
MAKE THE DECISIONS, BOTH PAKISTAN AND INDIA WILL LOSE.  
SO WHY DON'T WE PURSUE OUR OWN INTERESTS AND MAKE  
PEACE BETWEEN OURSELVES VOLUNTARILY? END QUOTE.

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30. "INDIA'S INSATIABLE URGE," AN EDITORIAL IN THE  
CENTER-RIGHT NATIONAL DAILY, "THE NATION" (03/02)

QUOTE: THE NEWS OF THE 17 PERCENT HIKE IN INDIA'S  
DEFENSE BUDGET SHOULD COME AS NO SURPRISE. NEW DELHI  
HAS FOR LONG BEEN CONSUMED BY AN INSATIABLE URGE TO  
BECOME POWERFUL ENOUGH TO FULFILL ITS HEGEMONIC  
AMBITIONS IN THE REGION AND BE REGARDED WITH AWE  
BEYOND. THE ABIDING ENMITY IT NURTURES WITH PAKISTAN  
PRINCIPALLY OVER KASHMIR THAT IT OCCUPIES AGAINST THE  
PEOPLE'S WISHES AND IN VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW  
ALSO KEEPS GOADING IT ON TO ARM ITSELF EVER MORE  
LETHALLY. OTHERWISE, IT WOULD BE HARD TO COMPREHEND  
THE LOGIC OF SPENDING AN AVERAGE \$4.5 BILLION A YEAR  
FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS ON DEFENSE-RELATED  
EQUIPMENT BY A COUNTRY HOUSING THE LARGEST SINGLE MASS  
OF IMPOVERISHED HUMANITY.... OBVIOUSLY, WE CANNOT,  
AND SHOULD NOT, MATCH INDIA IN THIS IRRATIONAL  
EXERCISE. TO MEET THE CHALLENGE WE NEED TO FIRM UP OUR  
PREPAREDNESS AND ENHANCE PROFESSIONALISM, WHICH CALLS  
FOR THE UNDIVIDED ATTENTION OF THE ARMED FORCES. THE  
ARMY SHOULD LEAVE THE POLITICAL FIELD ENTIRELY TO  
CIVILIANS AND STICK TO DEFENDING THE MOTHERLAND UNDER  
POLITICAL DIRECTION. END QUOTE. POWELL

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